(iii) To improve the skills of entrepreneurs. Entrepreneurship Development Programmes are being conducted through the network of Small Industries Service Institutes/Branch Institutes in the country.

(iv) Implementation of 7 Point Action Plan for improving the flow of credit to Small Scale Sector.

(v) Equity type support to the entrepreneurs is being extended through the National Equity Fund Scheme of Small Industries Development Bank of India. The scope of the scheme has been expanded in 1995-96 to cover large sections of Small Scale Industries.

(vi) Technical support through guidance, workshop, testing, tool room and product-cum-process development facilities is being provided through the network of institutions and associated agencies created for them.

Coal mine PF Commissioners office at Kothagudem

3479. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that representation have been made on the inefficient functioning of the Coal Mines Provident Fund Commissioners Office at Kothagudem in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details of such representations; and

(c) whether any steps have been taken to improve the attitude of the authorities concerned and the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRIMATI KANTI SINGH): (a) and (b) Yes Sir. Representations have been received from Office bearers of staff associations regarding delays in refund claims, approval of House Building Advances, non-supply of Marriage Advance Forms and non-conducting of Coordination Committee Meetings etc.

(c) The CMPF Commissioner has reviewed the pendency and has come to the conclusion that the pendencies are not at the level indicated in the representations. The delay in settlement of HBA cases have been due to submission of incomplete applications without Conversion Certificate of the Land from competent Authority. This review has also indicated that 130 Marriage Advance Claims Forms were distributed in Yellandu area during the period January to July, 1996. Coordination Committee Meetings were held on 29.12.1995 at Mangur on 22.1.1996 at Yellandu and on 23.2.96 at kothagudem respectively. The receipt and submission of various types of claims is a continuous process and the Assistant Commissioner-Incharge of the Regional Office at Kothagudem has been advised to review the pending claims and dispose of the same at the earliest.

औद्योगिक प्रतिष्ठानों में होने वाली दुर्घटनाओं तथा प्रभावित मजदूरों को दिया जाने वाला मुआवजा

3480. **श्री अनन्तराय देवशंकर दवे:** क्या श्रम मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) पिछले तीन वर्षों के दौरान गुजरात के बड़े/मंझौले औद्योगिक प्रतिष्ठानों में हुई भीषण दुर्घटनाओं का अद्यतन ब्यौरा क्या है;

(ख) क्या सरकार और संबंधित औद्योगिक प्रतिष्ठानों ने प्रभावित मजदूरों तथा अन्य कर्मियों को उचित और पर्याप्त मुआवजा दिया है;

(ग) क्या सरकार ने राज्य में औद्योगिक प्रतिष्ठानों को पर्याप्त सुरक्षा उपाय करने और इस प्रकार की दुर्घटनाओं की पुनरावृत्ति को रोकने के लिए कोई निदेश जारी किए हैं और

(घ) यदि हां, तो कितने औद्योगिक प्रतिष्ठानों ने इस प्रकार के कुछ सुरक्षा उपाय अपनाये हैं और उसके क्या परिणाम निकले हैं?

श्रम मंत्री (श्री एम० अरूणाचलम): (क) राज्य सरकार से प्राप्त सूचना के अनुसार पिछले तीन वर्षों के